Application No.: 09/944,190 Amendment dated March 11, 2004

Reply to Office Action of January 13, 2005

REMARKS

The Applicant respectfully requests entry of the above Amendments, and consideration of the application as amended. By these amendments, the Applicant cancelled claims 85 and 86 and amended independent claim 78. No new matter was introduced. Claims 78, 80-84, and 87-93 are now pending in this application.

In a phone conversation with Examiner Matthew DeSanto on February 22, 2005, the Examiner and the Applicant's undersigned Agent discussed the above amendment to claim 78, in which the limitations of claim 85 (now canceled) were inserted into claim 78. The amended wording of claim 78 reflects the outcome of that discussion. The Applicant recognizes with appreciation Mr. DeSanto's assistance in defining the allowable claim language of claim 78.

The Applicant believes that the application is in allowable form. Early passage of the application to issue is earnestly solicited. Should any matters remain outstanding, it is requested that the undersigned Agent be given a call so that such matters may be worked out and the application placed in condition for allowance without the necessity of another Action.

Respectfully submitted,

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